

Buffalo, March 29, 1864.

My dear Gray:

To-morrow, I believe I shall be able to mail you my Preliminary List of the Plants of Buffalo. and I demand that, immediately on its receipt, you write me saying, "pretty well for you." I do feel gratified that I have at last made the minutest mite of a contribution to Science. I know ~~that~~ how extremely minute it is. I would not be so exacting, but for the fact that my letter-file book is just full, and I want to commence a new one with a letter from you. I mean with a note from you - a letter is too ambitious.

Yours ever truly,
W. Whitman.

Prof. A. Gray.